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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Psychological and Paramilitary Staff

SUBJECT: Visit to Radio Liberation, Munich, by Special Committee of Council of Europe.

This memorandum is for information only.

1. A Special Committee of the Council of Europe concerned with the interests of nations not represented in the Council paid a visit to Radio Liberation in Munich on 12 March in connection with a meeting it held in that city on 11, 12 and 13 March for the primary purpose of informing itself as to the operations and objectives of Radio Free Europe. An informal invitation to inspect Radio Liberation was conveyed to a representative of the Committee by an officer of AmComLib more than a month previously when the Special Committee's impending visit to RFE first became known to AmComLib.
2. A delegation of eleven members of the Committee, accompanied by four representatives of the Council of Europe's Secretariat and two German officials spent the better part of the afternoon of 12 March at Radio Liberation, where they were briefed by key executives of the station and conducted on a tour of its program operations.
3. During the briefing period, members of the Special Committee confirmed that the Committee had recommended that member states of the Council of Europe should broadcast five minutes of news daily in the Russian language to the Soviet Union.
4. A letter of thanks subsequently received by Radio Liberation from the Special Committee's President, Karl Wistrand, of Sweden, said that the Committee members had been impressed by their visit to the station.

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A copy of a report of the Special Committee's visit  
itted to Howland A. Sargeant, President of AmComLib,  
by his European Director, Mr. Robert F. Kelley, is attached  
for your information.

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Chief

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Attachment

Mr. Kelley's ltr. dtd. March 18, 1957

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